

EVENTS OF INTEREST  
IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

## WOMAN AND THE HOME

DOMESTIC HELPS AND  
AIDS TO HOUSEWIVES

The young lady across the way says she saw in the paper that isolation is strongly recommended for the grip, but when she had it she just stayed in her room for four or five days and got well without any severe treatment at all.

WANT \$225,000 TO  
EQUIP HOSPITAL AND  
AMBULANCE IN RUSSIA

New York, Feb. 18.—An appeal was issued here today by the American Hospital and Ambulance in Russia for \$225,000 for the equipment for a hospital for the Russian army.

Among the signers to the appeal are Robert L. Bacon, Nicholas Murray Butler, Robert McCormick, Alton B. Parker and Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. The signers declare that an unfortunate impression exists in Russia that the people of the United States are unfriendly toward Russians.

It is asserted that the impression is largely due to the substantial aid given to the wounded in other belligerent countries "while next to nothing has been given to Russia, the historical friend of the United States."

It is proposed to present the hospital under the patronage of the Grand Duchess Tatiana, the daughter of the Czar. Dr. Edward H. Egbert and Dr. Philip Newton, who have been created brigadier generals by the Czar for their services in the American Red Cross unit in Russia, have consented to act as heads of the proposed hospital.

FUNERAL DESIGNS AND  
BOUQUETS  
JOHN RECK & SON.

Easy & Practical  
Home Dress Making  
Lessons

Prepared Especially For This Newspaper  
by Pictorial Review

## Misses' Costume of Chic Design.



Beige worsted voile trimmed with soutache braid and taffeta. The blouse is fastened with silk of the same color and color.

These Home Dressmaking articles are prepared especially for this newspaper from the very latest styles by The Pictorial Review.

LAURA JEAN LIBBY'S DAILY TALKS ON

## HEART TOPICS

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WILL YOU RECEIVE  
A VALENTINE?

Oh, I wish his heart were mine!  
Should I send a valentine?  
For it's leap year, too—that's fine.  
But what if he should—well, decline  
To take my proposal seriously?  
—L. J. L.

Oh, ye maids, spinsters and merry widows, have you singled out some masculine Beau Brummel to whom you intend to send a valentine? Of course you have, for the humorous side of the situation appeals to you. During leap year, the bashful lads hopelessly look forward to getting tender verses of sentiment in the shape of a valentine from the girls. The lads also look forward gleefully to saving a tidy sum this year, for the fair sex is to invite them to all the indoor amusements and outdoor sports, and for the privilege of basking in their society they must pay the bills.

Oh, ye bachelors with double locked and carefully bolted hearts! And ye widowers, with heart looks none too secure! Take care! Beware! Some fair damsel may be designing to capture you and lead you to the altar whether you will or no.

They have the advantage of you during leap year. Have you taken lessons as to how to decline a marriage proposal gracefully, kindly and without giving offense? Leap year valentines are "cover" of heart and hand, in some instances, during this mystical year in which Cupid hands woman the love arrows to aim at whom she will despite the fact that she is more often than not a wretchedly poor shot.

There will always be two sides to the question as to whether a modest girl may take the initiative by sending a young man with whom she is secretly enamored a valentine which reveals that he has awakened her interest at least. If a young man whom a girl really fancies has for some reason or other ceased calling, it is not to be missed to send him a valentine the verses of which touch more on sincere friendship than on tender sentiment.

Interest may be reawakened. Next to love, friendship is sweet. Few if any widowers misconstrue the meaning of valentines which reach them. The fair lady who sent it may declare a sweetheart on this eventful day is inclined to the opinion (which pleases and amuses him) that the woman wants to marry him. He may be far and away from the realm of love, but it is usually a man's wish to be loved.

MISS LIBBY'S REPLIES  
TO YOUR LETTERS

Miss Libby's answers to your letters. Correct name and address must be given to insure attention. Initials printed. Write short letters on one side of paper only. Use ink. Personal letters cannot be answered. Address Miss Laura Jean Libby, No. 916 President St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

## AT ROLLER-SKATING RINK.

P. S. writes: "As your constant reader, please aid me. I am a girl in my teens and attend few dances or parties. I am considered popular. Please tell me if a girl is at a roller-skating rink and young men ask her to skate with him, what is polite, lady-like for her to reply? After skate is over, is it right to stand and chat?"

Answer "yes" or "no," to question of skating. After skate is over, if pleasant, you may consent that it is. Do not have much to say to a stranger.

## WHY DOES HE NOT WRITE?

W. writes: "I am a girl who corresponded three years with young man my age. Have not heard from him for over a month. Previously he answered letters soon. He's young. Has no business, so that's no reason. Do you think he cares for me? Why has he not written?"

He may be looking for business and too tired or discouraged to write. Wait and find out.

## COOL TO YOUNG MEN.

E. H. writes: "All other girls have sweethearts but me. When we first moved here, I treated boys coldly. When they speak to me on the street, now, I hardly have courage to say anything. Girls like me. I never go

as my girl chums think they only are smart. Please advise." See anew by being pleasant and ladylike to young men and girls. Soon you will win their friendship and become well liked and happy.

LITTLE BENNY'S  
NOTEBOOK  
By Lee Page

My cousin Artie was around at my house yesterday and we got a book out of the bookcase called, Human Tendencies, being so full of big words the man that wrote it probably didn't know half of them, and I said, I no good one, lets pretend to be college professors and talk in big words.

With we started to walk around the setting room and do while pop was laying on the sofa with his eyes closed. Artie beginning it by saying, Well, Professor Epiphonick, hows your duodenum.

Pretty scumptiousness, thank you, how is your own condishin of helthularity, I sed.

Quite contagious, thank you, sed Artie, I uberbe by the papers that some lambumphous weather is expected.

Do you signify the evening or the morning papers, or both, I sed.

I signify the encyclopedium Britannicum, sed Artie.

How ambilicious, I sed.

O, not ptticularity, sed Artie.

I consider I troobarr to the basement, I sed.

O, abolutely, at least, at least, sed Artie.

Which jest then pop sat up strate on the sofa, saying, Am I dreaming, or do myndy elts heer the same things I hear?

Your adult parent inquires a response, sed Artie.

So I persevigate, I sed.

Beet it out of heer, both of you, before I lose my mind altogether and do you harm, sed pop.

Which me and Artie did, going out and following a German band and stopping every place the band stopped.

## MME. THEBES

Mme. Thebes, the French prophetess whose predictions in regard to the war have been widely read and credulously accepted by millions of people, has had much better success as a guesser than the average seer or seers. Although many of her predictions in regard to the progress of the war in 1915 went west of the mark, she still has a host of followers who have forgotten her mistakes and remember only her successes.

Mme. Thebes is now an old woman, and she has been in the prophetic business for many years. She was born in France, the younger, who, like his illustrious father, had inherited a streak of superstition along with his negro blood, who made Mme. Thebes famous. When she was just beginning her career M. Dumas invited her to exhibit her prophetic powers before a company of friends.

The young woman then specialized in palmistry, although she was just beginning her career. Perhaps the palmist had made a close study of M. Dumas' prospective guests prior to the seance. At any rate, she read their hearts as accurately as M. Dumas was aroused to enthusiasm, and wrote an account of the seance for a Paris publication.

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One Young Woman  
Wears a House Gown  
Built Like This

SO SPRING-LIKE

Taffeta silk the color of cornflower blue, attractively banded with black velvet, gives this beautiful frock. The full skirt hangs in a modified pannier on the left side, and the surplice waist is edged with the velvet. A high collar in the back is finished in front with a little taffeta string tie.

PAINTING THE  
ROADSIDES

About this time of year many merchants used to be organizing campaigns for decorating (?) the roadsides for many miles around with their advertising. As soon as the spring mud had dried out, they had their teams and men out erecting and painting staring signboards along the country highways.

Very much less of this sort of work will be done the coming spring. In many localities it has stopped altogether. The merchants found out that it did not have advertising value, and they were spending their good money for nothing.

One objection to this outdoor advertising was that it soon became defaced and shabby. Even a neatly painted sign, if exposed to rain and dust, would look ancient in a single season. It would convey an appearance of dinginess that was left hand advertising for the store that erected it. Boys would use it as a target, and jokers would take paint and alter over words with humorous intent.

The most serious objection to these signs was the public animosity that they created. In many states legislation has been enacted against them. In other various associations have taken the matter up, and have made it a business to wreck roadside signs, confident that they were within their legal rights.

The simple fact is that the people don't want their pretty country roads defaced by advertising. When they go outside of the towns, they like to see country scenes and open air life, and want forget about business. The signboard is a reminder of commercialism. If erected on a man's place of business, it would not be objectionable if it were done. Placed on the highway it offends by being out of place, and it does not help to sell goods.

## TO AMEND CONSTITUTION.

Boston, Feb. 18.—A bill providing for a constitutional convention in Massachusetts June 6, 1917, was reported in the Senate yesterday. The amendment in this state was held in 1853.

## ROSSIGNOL ESTATE

In probate court yesterday John J. Rossignol was named administrator of the estate of his mother, Mary Rossignol. The family live at 85 Hazelwood avenue. The estate consists of an insurance of \$251. The other heirs are Edward, Harry and William, sons of the deceased.

Andrew E. Wasco was named administrator on the estate of his wife, Margaret, in the probate court today. The estate consists of a \$400 insurance policy. A son, Charles Wasco, is the heir.

## CATTLE UNDER QUARANTINE.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—The Illinois state board of live stock commissioners today issued an order that all cattle, sheep and swine of the grade known as feeders, removed from the Union stockyards to points in Illinois, shall be held in quarantine for 21 days. The order was the result of the return of the foot and mouth epidemic.

## EDITOR CITED FOR BRAVERY

Paris, Feb. 18.—Andre Tardieu, political editor of the Temps, who joined the army as a reservist, passed through various promotions to the rank of captain and was cited in the orders of the day, has again been cited for gallantry in leading his company as feeders, removed from the Union stockyards to points in Illinois, shall be held in quarantine for 21 days. The order was the result of the return of the foot and mouth epidemic.

## GENERAL STORE BURNS.

Bathurst, N. B., Feb. 18.—The general store of W. J. Kent & Co. was burned yesterday with an estimated loss of \$175,000.

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BOUQUETS  
JOHN RECK & SON.

ROYAL  
BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure  
No Alum—No Phosphate

## TODAY'S POEM

## FRIENDSHIP—LOVE—TRUTH

Three trusty comrades walk the earth,  
Our guides wherever we go,  
And where their gentle footsteps lead  
There is no strife, nor woe.

They smile upon the cradled babe,  
They bless the hearts of youth,  
And age is mellowed by the touch  
Of friendship, love and truth.

This sacred band forevermore  
Will cheer our thorny way,  
And those who follow where they lead  
Can never go astray.

For nature hath ordained us such  
That childhood and our youth  
And age, are hallowed by the touch  
Of friendship, love and truth.  
—J. W. Hodge in Health Culture.

## CORNER FOR COOKS

## Oxtail Soup.

Have two oxtails cut at the joints, wash them well, then dry and roll them in flour seasoned with salt and pepper. Melt two tablespoons of dripping in a stewpan and when hot brown the tails in the fat, turning them until of uniform color. Add boiling water to cover and let them stew closely covered until tender, about three hours. Have ready one quart of diced vegetables, whatever they may be in season, such as onion, celery, string beans, peas or cabbage, about equal parts of each. Cook the mixture in boiling water for 15 minutes, then strain out the water and put diced vegetables into the soup and cook until very tender. Season with salt, paprika, lemon juice and walnut catsup, and thicken slightly with flour. Serve without straining.

## Breakfast Pie.

An appetizing and substantial breakfast dish can be made from left-over meat. Grease a baking dish, cover the bottom with hot mashed potatoes and add a layer of the meat chopped fine or ground and rather seasoned. Top off with a thin layer of the mashed potatoes. Bake in a hot oven. If there was gravy with the meat, this may be poured over the pie; otherwise moisten it with water in which a little butter has been dissolved. Set in the oven and bake until brown.

## Sponge Cake, Fruit, Whipped Cream.

It does not matter for this whether the cake is fresh or stale. Either will do. Cut the cake with a sharp knife into slices and place in one large glass dish or in the individual glass cups that are so popular and pretty. Pour a few drops of sherry over each piece of cake. Then put on a few spoons of fruit, slightly mashed with a silver spoon, and sweetened to taste. Then add whipped cream to cover the whole. Do not sweeten the cream too much; flavor it with bitter almond.

## Whipped Cream Pie.

Line a pie plate with a good puff paste and bake in a quick oven. Lay a thin layer of marmalade over the crust thickly with strawberry or other sweet jam. Whip a cup of rich cream, sweeten to taste with powdered sugar, and flavor with vanilla. Heap this high upon the marmalade and smooth evenly before dotting with bits of the red jam or with currant jelly.

## MEXICAN CONDITIONS

## IMPROVING, HE SAYS

Washington, Feb. 18.—An optimistic report of conditions in Mexico and of the strength of the Carranza government was made at the White House yesterday by George F. Weeks, a resident of Mexico City. Mr. Weeks said reports of unsettled conditions and the weakness of the Carranza government was greatly exaggerated.

## MINE FIRE DOES BIG DAMAGE.

Butte, Mont., Feb. 18.—Fire which caused the loss Monday night of 21 lives in the Anaconda Copper Co.'s Pennsylvania mine still is raging, the damage already done being estimated at \$100,000.

## LOUVRE TO REOPEN.

Paris, Feb. 18.—The sculpture section of the Louvre Museum will be reopened to the public on March 1. Seven hundred precious paintings, which he had sent to Toulouse for safe keeping after the battle of Chalons, will be kept there until the end of the war.

## POINTS OF INTEREST

## Anatomik Shoes.

Persons who are afflicted with broken instep or so-called flatfoot, abandon the idea of wearing shoes of ordinary make, after they have once worn Anatomik shoes. These much needed shoes were designed and patented by a physician who is a skilled orthopedist. They are made on scientific principles, and conform to the anatomy of the human foot. They produce foot comfort not to be obtained by other means. Anatomik shoes, which are for men, women and children, are accurately fitted, at the well known shoe house of W. K. Molan, 1928 Main street.—Adv.

STATE SUFFRAGISTS  
WILL MEET MONDAY IN  
HOTEL BOND, HARTFORD

(Mrs. Edward Porritt, Hartford.) The conference that is to be held by the Connecticut Woman Suffrage Association next Monday promises to be a most interesting and brilliant affair. It will be held at the Hotel Bond, and after a short morning session beginning at half past eleven, there will be an adjournment for the luncheon which will be served in the Hotel. Suffragists from all parts of the State from Greenwich to Danvers, and from New London to Norfolk have intimated their intention to be present and there will be speeches from many of the prominent leaders in the movement in this state as well as from the National President Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt.

The conference has been called at the express desire of Mrs. Catt; and its purpose is to lay plans for more efficient work in support of the Susan B. Anthony Amendment which is now pending before Congress. Almost immediately after her election to the presidency of the National Association Mrs. Catt announced that it would be the policy of the Association to concentrate its force on obtaining the woman suffrage amendment to the National Constitution. Mrs. Catt who worked indefatigably in the campaign in New York State is deeply convinced of the injustice and hardship of asking women to go again and again through the labor and expense of these popular campaigns. It is not right to lay upon women a task that men never had to face in order to gain the right to vote. There is not a man living who has ever had to work and fight to gain the franchise; yet men who have inherited the right from their forefathers, calmly say to their inherited sisters who are descended from the same forefathers and who ought therefore to share the inheritance, that they must win the right for themselves in the hardest and most arduous way possible.

The speakers at the Conference will include besides Mrs. Catt, who will speak both at the morning and the afternoon session, Mrs. A. E. S. Taylor who is the State President of the Connecticut Woman Suffrage Association, and Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers who is Treasurer of the National Association.

Mrs. E. N. Hepburn, President of the Connecticut Woman Suffrage Association will preside at both the morning and the afternoon sessions, and also at the luncheon. Mrs. Catt's subject in the morning will be "The prospects of success in regard to the Susan B. Anthony amendment." In the afternoon she will outline the plans which she wishes to have carried out in the states. The meeting will be open to the public.

Patriotic Society  
May Protest Auto  
Show Advertising

Numerous inquiries were made of members of the common council today as to who gave permission for the placing of the flags and shields on the poles of the White Way advertising the auto show which opens at the State Armory next week. Each shield is surmounted by two small American flags and the shields bear this legend: "Follow the Flag to the Auto Show."

Whether or not this is a violation of the law forbidding the use of the American flag for advertising purposes is a question which was raised today by some members of patriotic societies. It is said today that the use of the flag in this matter will be called to the attention of members of the Sons of the American Revolution.

As to the placing of the flags, Benjamin B. Steiber, manager of the automobile show received permission to place them from Charles A. Fraz, manager of the United Illuminating Co. This company owns the White Way poles. Manager Paul is now out of the city for three weeks but before he went he gave written permission for placing of the flags. They are on Main street and Fairfield avenue poles only but many more will be placed on upper Main street.

AGUINALDO LEADER  
IN MOVE TO HAVE  
BARRISTER REINSTATED

Manila, Feb. 18.—Emilio Aguinaldo the former insurgent leader, has headed a petition for the pardon of the American lawyer Kelly, who was disbarred, fined \$500 and sentenced to six months imprisonment for publication of a book alleging that General Noriel, the insurgent leader who was put to death last year for murder of a political enemy was innocent. Kelly accused sixty persons, including high officials and supreme court justices of assassination in connection with the execution of Noriel and his two accomplices.

It was not regarded as likely that the petition will be granted.

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ANNOUNCEMENT  
DR. CHARLES M. PENNY  
Dentist  
is now located at his new dental office, Rooms 506, 507 Security Building, 1115 Main Street, Bridgeport, Conn. Phone 2478-2.

Farmer Want Ads. One Cent a Word